

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry "documentary" Stolen Honor days before the election is a clear example of political electioneering. By calling this political advertisement a "documentary", the stations are not required to allow the opposition equal time to respond. I am ANGRY that Sinclair will be allowed to require two stations in my community to air this blatant political advertisement.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Substantive news is always important. Our country was founded on the liberal notion of a free market place of ideas. However, "Stolen Honor" is NOT substantive news but simply a political advertisement.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. It's an example of the negative aspects of the centralization of the media in our country. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.